

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 999

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Boynton Chapel United Methodist Church on the occasion of its Fourth Annual Third Ward Teen Symposium, which was held on May 17, 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, The goal of the symposium was to encourage young people between the ages of 12 and 19 to follow positive lifestyles through educational and motivational programs; and

**WHEREAS**, With the theme of "Teens Changing Their Pathways, Steering Toward Faith, Hope, Purpose, and Love," seminars and workshops were held on such topics as faith as a journey, spiritual gifts, the power of God, teen sexuality, peer pressure, crime prevention, and substance abuse; and

**WHEREAS**, The young people were given guidance in preparing for a career and college and were entertained by praise dancers, Christian rappers, singers, and drama performances; and

**WHEREAS**, Under the leadership and guidance of youth project director Margaret Scott and pastor Wanda Bess, the teen symposium was an excellent way to reach out to the youth in the Third Ward and across the City of Houston, and it undoubtedly had a positive effect on those who participated; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend the Boynton Chapel United Methodist Church for its efforts to provide guidance and assistance to the young people of Houston; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Boynton Chapel United Methodist Church as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 29, 2003.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate